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REF A: NPIC 8093, DTG 130234Z, AUG 66

B: NPIC 7968, DTG 030120Z, AUG 66

C: NPIC 7659, DTG 030204Z, JULY 66

D: [REDACTED]

E: NPIC 7691, DTG 070813Z, JULY 66

CONTINUING SCAN BY NPIC OF [REDACTED]

REVEALS THE FOLLOWING

INFORMATION ON THE HANOI/PING-PIN-HSIANG RAIL LINE IN NORTH VIETNAM:

1. THE SPANS OF THE CAO NUNG RAILROAD BY-PASS BRIDGE AT 2133N 10630E (UTM XJ550845) HAVE BEEN REPLACED PROVIDING A SERVICEABLE BY-PASS OF THE HEAVILY DAMAGED CAO NUNG RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER THE SONG HOA [REDACTED] REPORTED IN REF A. THE SPANS OF THE BY-PASS BRIDGE HAD BEEN REMOVED UPON THE COMPLETION OF THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE MAIN BRIDGE IN EARLY AUGUST (REF B).

2. THE THREE CENTER SPANS OF THE BAC GIANG RAILROAD BY-PASS

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BRIDGE (REF C) AT 2115N 10617E (UTM XJ248518) HAVE BEEN REMOVED.  
THE BRIDGE APPEARED COMPLETED [REDACTED] (REF D), WITH ALL  
EIGHT SPANS IN PLACE. TWO PROBABLE HALF-THRU TRUSS BRIDGE  
SECTIONS ARE PRESENTLY OBSERVED AT 2116N 10611E (UTM XJ228526)  
700 YARDS WEST OF THE SERVICEABLE BAC GIANG RAILROAD BRIDGE  
OVER THE SONG THUONG [REDACTED] TWO HALF-THRU TRUSS  
BRIDGE SECTIONS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBSERVED (REF E) IN THE  
BAC GIANG RAIL YARD AT 2116N 10611E (UTM XJ242532).

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3. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ON THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (REF E)  
RAILROAD BY-PASS BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT 2112N 10605E  
(UTM XJ132456) AROUND THE UNSERVICEABLE DAP CAU RAIL BRIDGE  
[REDACTED]. SEVEN OF THE 8 SPANS ARE IN PLACE AND RAILS  
EXTEND TO BOTH APPROACHES OF THE BRIDGE.

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